

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0014] with the following amended paragraph:

In another form of the invention, the device contains the features described above and further includes the features of the angle of the terminal end of the optical fiber of the back plane being equal to forty-five degrees, and the terminal surface of the terminal end of the optical fiber of the back plane being metallized. Also, a daughter card is included to which the shroud ~~id~~ is mounted. Furthermore, a longitudinal length direction of the optical fiber of the shroud is substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal length direction of the optical fiber of the back plane.